



## COLDEN POND PLUNGE



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JUNIOR ERICA WILLIAMS jumps into Colden Pond for the annual Colden Pond Plunge Friday Feb. 25th. She raised 365 dollars for St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital. She also stayed in the pond for 106.6 seconds, winning two free tickets to see the Goo Goo Dolls.

## Central partnership offers taste of college

By Matt Leimkuehler  
Chief Reporter

Central High School in St. Joseph has teamed with Northwest to create an opportunity for their students to experience a taste of college life before receiving their diploma through the Central by Northwest program.

Central currently has 142 students enrolled in their International Baccalaureate program, a program that prepares high school students for college level classes. Central is one of 10 IB schools in Missouri and the only one that offers their students the opportunity to experience daily life on a college campus, according

to Director of Northwest's St. Joseph Outreach Center Melody Messner, whose center is initiating the relationship with Northwest.

Northwest's role in the partnership is to provide students with the opportunity to sit in on college lectures, give campus visits specific to their interested field of study and provide unique scholarship packages. Northwest also gives the IB students access to the B.D. Owens Library online database - Northwest is the only university in the state that allows high school students access to their database.

The Central by North-

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## Candidates interview for Intercultural Affairs

By Leslie Nelson  
Asst. News Editor

Faculty, staff and students were given a chance to meet with the two finalists for the director of Intercultural Affairs this week.

The position opened up after former director Amario Griffin accepted a job in New Hampshire in October.

Steve Bryant and Amario Griffin are the two finalists being considered for the position.

Bryant, the current Millikan Hall director, met with staff and students Tuesday. He earned a bachelor's degree in public health education and health promotion from Central Michigan University. He earned his master's degree in higher education from

Northwest.

Amario Griffin met with staff and students today. The science teacher at Derrick Thomas Academy in Kansas City earned a bachelor's degree in African-American studies and African culture studies from the University of Kansas. He earned a master's degree of business administration from the University of Phoenix.

"The Director of Intercultural Affairs is responsible for several things. One is to create an environment for all underrepresented student populations, whether it's racial minorities, ethnic minorities or underrepresented students," Matt Baker, dean of students, said. "The other role is to work with Student Affairs and other campus offices to help educate the faculty and staff on campus about the value and benefit of intercultural perspective."

The director holds seminars and programs to help those on campus to respect and value people of other backgrounds.

Baker said that they are looking for a candidate who is approachable and can interact with and advise students.

The University will choose between the two finalists sometime in the next two weeks.



Steve Bryant  
Northwest Hall Director



Amario Griffin  
Derrick Thomas Academy  
Teacher of Science



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### FROM THE FRONT LINE

Mark Corson was a geosciences professor at Northwest when he was mobilized and sent in to Iraq in January 2010. He plans to utilize his G.I. Bill benefits for his children's education and "thanks Congress and the American people for their generosity and foresight in investing in education for our veterans."

Corson was the faculty advisor for the Northwest Student Veterans Association.

"I command the 103rd Expeditionary Sustainment Command at Joint Base Balad Iraq. The 103rd HQ is a reserve unit from Des Moines, Iowa but the command has active Army, Army Reserve and Army National Guard units along with some Air Force Airmen and Navy Sailors for a total strength of about 5,000 service members," Corson said. "I command 10 percent of U.S. forces in Iraq... We also support Iraqi



Mark Corson  
Professor of Geoscience at  
Northwest

Commander General of the 103rd Expeditionary Sustainment Command, Joint Base Balad Iraq

Security Force logistics training and we played a key role in the responsible draw-down of forces from 130,000 to 50,000 back in July and August.

"We are now engaged in the major planning effort to strategically reposition U.S. forces out of Iraq by Dec. 31, 2011 and transfer the Iraqi support mission to U.S. Mission Iraq under the leadership of the U.S. Department of State."

## Struggles vary for student vets

By Philip Gruenwald  
Associate Editor

Freshmen stepping onto Northwest grounds for the first time are full of recent memories: the glamour of senior prom, a summer spent flipping greasy burgers and the charm of the girl or guy they left back home. Military veteran students play a different reel of memories: machine gun bursts in the streets of Fallujah, Iraq, the heat from exploding cars and the look of destitution on an Iraqi child's face as his home is searched.

"You hear people complain about laundry," Thomas Herron, 24-year-old Army Cadet veteran and Northwest student, said. "People complain about random stuff that you would just be like, 'Really?' You people have no idea what you're complaining about."

Herron was deployed to active service in May 2006, the end of his freshman year at Northwest. When he returned from Iraq in fall 2007, he noticed how little he could relate to his peers.

"I look deeper, I guess, versus what a lot of people look at surface stuff or meaningless stuff," Herron said. "I look at, 'Okay, how can this be used as a potential threat?'"

As a senior, his education is

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## INSIDE

Check out the **Spring Sports Preview** where we look at every sport from softball to track and give you the inside look at what to expect this season and who to watch.





HEATHER HARE (LEFT) and Dana Masters (right) rehearse for the play “Our Town” Monday night in the Ron Houston Center for the Performing Arts. The play reflects two families and their life struggles.

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Classic play opens Friday

By Amanda Schulte-Smith  
Features Editor

Theater students hope to connect with the audience personally this weekend, with their performance of “Our Town.” “Our Town” explores the lives of ordinary people living in the small, iconic, American town of Grover’s Corners. Viewers follow the Webb and Gibbs families as their children fall in love, marry and eventually die. “Our Town” was first produced in 1938 and received the Pulitzer Prize for literature. Amanda Petefish-Schrag, assistant professor of com-

munication, theatre and languages says, even though the story takes place before the civil war, audiences can still relate to the emotional side of the characters and the various experiences they go through. The play also holds a special place in Northwest history, being the first play performed in the Mary Linn Auditorium after it opened in 1985. Director Joe Kreizinger hopes to shine a fresh light on the American play, using new technology to help introduce audiences to the storyline. The play is divided into three acts which ex-

plore the experience of American life, starting in act one where the audience is introduced to the characters and learn about their daily lives. Viewers are then moved into act two where characters talk about love and marriage, eventually ending with the third act which touches on death and loss. Performances start at 7:30 p.m., March 3-5 and at 2 p.m. March 6 in the Mary Linn Auditorium in the Houston Center for the Performing Arts. Tickets will be available at the door for \$8 or can be reserved through www.theatrenorthwest.org.



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ANDREW JENKS OF MTV’s “World of Jenks” gave a lecture Monday night at the Charles Johnson Theater. He spoke about his experiences making his first documentary and how his life progressed thereafter.

Jenks visits campus to share story

By Amanda Schulte-Smith  
Features Editor

Northwest’s Charles Johnson Theater was full of laughs and smirks Monday night, as Andrew Jenks from MTV’s “World of Jenks” spoke about his life before the show and the many endeavors he went through before his series. Jenks began like many aspiring film students, living in the dorms of New York University and looking for something bigger. The summer after his freshman year of college, Jenks took on the project of a lifetime, deciding to move into a retirement center for a summer and film his experiences. After dozens of phone calls gone awry, he finally connected with a place in Florida. Jenks and his team of friends stayed the sum-

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Northwest receives six figure donation

By Leslie Nelson  
Asst. News Editor

The Northwest Foundation’s American Dream Grant received a gift of \$100,000 earlier this week. The Kansas City based Goppert Foundation presented the check to President John Jasinski and several other faculty members at a ceremony Tuesday morning in the Union. Orrie Covert, Northwest’s vice president for University Advancement and executive director of

the Northwest Foundation, said that the gift would help fund the American Dream Grant. The American Dream Grant is awarded to low-income students who cannot afford tuition. “The American Dream Grant focuses on the financial needs of the student and is not a merit-based scholarship,” Covert said. Students who receive the grant must provide \$3,500 to help pay for tuition, room and board. The grant covers the rest of their costs.

“The Goppert Foundation primarily gives to educational facilities throughout eastern Kansas and western Missouri,” Billy Campbell, director of the Goppert Foundation, said. This is the first year the Goppert Foundation has given a grant to Northwest. “We have a lot of students that come up here from our communities where we currently have banks,” Campbell said. “We hadn’t done one here and we thought it was a little past due.”

Weekend Events

Mar. 4 Friday

All Day

- Art Exhibit: Ephemera, a National Juried Exhibition - Olive DeLuce Fine Arts Building
- Last date to drop a trimester course
- MIAA Tournament, Kansas City, MO
- Mortar Board Week
- MOSAIC
- Tickets on Sale - The Montana Rep presents Bus Stop - Administration Building In conjunction with the Encore Performing Arts Series.

9:00 am

- Six Traits of Writing Grades 9-12 - J.W. Jones Student Union Day 2 of workshop series

3:00 pm

- Baseball at University of Central Missouri, Warrensburg, Mo.

7:30 pm

- Theatre: “Our Town” - Ron Houston Center for the Performing Arts Theatre

Mar. 5 Saturday

All Day

- Art Exhibit: Ephemera, a National Juried Exhibition - Olive DeLuce Fine Arts Building
- Common Ground 12th Annual Drag Show - J.W. Jones Student Union
- Men’s Tennis vs. Nebraska-Kearney - High Rise Tennis Courts
- MIAA Tournament, Kansas City, MO
- MOSAIC
- Softball at Teri Mathis Zenner Memorial Tournament, Joplin, Mo. Plays Central Oklahoma at 9:00 AM and Illinois-Springfield at 5:00 PM

8:30 am

- ACT Workshop Day - J.W. Jones Student Union

10:00 am

- Women’s Tennis vs. Drury - Frank Grube Tennis Courts

2:00 pm

- Baseball at University of Central Missouri, Warrensburg, Mo.
- Women’s Tennis vs. Nebraska-Kearney - Frank Grube Tennis Courts

7:30 pm

- Theatre: “Our Town” - Ron Houston Center for the Performing Arts Theatre

Mar. 6 Sunday

All Day

- Art Exhibit: Ephemera, a National Juried Exhibition - Olive DeLuce Fine Arts Building
- Drop and Withdrawal: Last date for 75% refund on second-block courses
- MIAA Tournament, Kansas City, MO
- Softball at Teri Mathis Zenner Memorial Tournament, Joplin, Mo. Plays Missouri S&T at 9:00 AM and Upper Iowa at 11:00 AM

12:00 pm

- Baseball at University of Central Missouri, Warrensburg, Mo.

2:00 pm

- New Work Showcase
- Theatre: “Our Town” - Ron Houston Center for the Performing Arts Theatre

3:00 pm

- Tower Choir Concert (with Kearney MO High School Choir) - Olive DeLuce Fine Arts Building

7:00 pm

- Newman Catholic Center Mass - Newman Catholic Center

9:30 pm

- IM: Bowling (4 person) begins

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KEVIN BIRDSSELL | CHIEF VISUAL JOURNALIST  
VALERIE MOODY LEADS a celebrational dance called “Hine ma tov” during a break at the Secret Place’s presentation. This is the first time that Moody has been back to Maryville since her graduation from Northwest in 1975.

Alumna offers new perspective

The Secret Place preaches Hebrew values, rituals

By Ben Lawson  
Chief Reporter

Northwestalumna Valerie Moody returned to Maryville Feb. 26 to give a presentation on Hebrew roots rituals. Moody graduated from Northwest in 1975. She held a conference at the Holiday Inn about the first century Sabbath and God’s seven feast days. She was asked to speak by the Secret Place, a Christian organization in Maryville. Moody expected people to leave her conference with a fresh perspective on the Bible.

“I hope people who attended the conference will grow in their ability to hear God’s voice, see his nature in scripture, meet new friends and be refreshed in their spiritual journey,” she said. Moody spoke on feasts such as the Feast of Tabernacles. During the Feast of Tabernacles, people are supposed to live in booths called sukkahs, which they build themselves. The feast is supposed to remind people of the fragile dwellings the Israelites lived in during their 40 years of wandering in the Old Testament. Moody also taught the Hebrew dance Hine ma tov. Hine ma tov is Psalm 133 put to song. The dance and song

are about people living together in unity. Moody is the author of “The Feasts of Adonai, Why Christians Should Look at the Biblical Feasts.” Moody finished the book in 2002. She said over 2,000 hours worth of research went into writing the book. In Hebrew, “Adonai” means “Lord.” In her book, Moody writes about God’s feast days. She explains the meaning and symbolism in 22 traditional festivals. She is credited with writing an easy to understand explanation of Biblical customs. Moody decided to write her book after an awakening she had in

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Area students speak for scholarship

By Leslie Nelson  
Asst. News Editor

The Maryville Optimist Club will give high school students from Nodaway County a chance to earn a \$2,500 scholarship Thursday evening. Eight students from Maryville High School, Maryville Middle School, St. Gregory’s Catholic School, and West Nodaway High School will compete in the Optimist Club’s annual speech contest at 7 p.m. Thursday at the Nodaway County Administration Building.

Participants will deliver a four to five minute speech on the topic “If I were leader of the free world, the first issue I would address would be...” The speech contests are having the youth express themselves in regards to optimism,” Robert Bohlken, Maryville Optimist Club member, said. The winner of this contest will go on to compete in the regional level in St. Joseph then on to the state level. The winner of the state level will be awarded a \$2,500 scholarship to the four-year school of

their choice. Participants must have been under the age of 19 on Dec. 31, 2010. “It really benefits the students,” Noel said. “As long as they’re not winners, they can try again next year. So each time they do it they get better. I just think they benefit from the poise and the satisfaction of being able to get up in front of people and talk. It’s an aspect of our culture that many people have trouble with.” Noel said the contest has taken place each year since the 1930s.



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The new recycling bin at Beal Park. Northwest and Maryville partner up to reduce their paw prints.

Recycle project underway

By Trey Williams  
News Editor

President John Janski, Mayor Chad Jackson, Lezlee Johnson associate director of Landscape Services and other members of the community gathered at Beal Park Feb. 25 to commemorate a new recycling partnership. “I appreciate Northwest giving us this opportunity,” Jackson said. “Since the plant closed, we’ve heard from the community the need to recycle.” The project, entitled “Reduce Your Paw Print: Taking it to the Community,” began in March when the University received a glass-recycling machine. According to Jackson, the city used to have a glass recycling plant. However, the cost to run the plant was above the city’s means. Students in the federalism and intergovernmental relations

course did a survey last year, and estimated that the community produces 20,000 tons of glass and 300 tons of paper that can be diverted from the landfill and instead recycled. The project was made possible due to a \$2,550 grant from the Northwest Missouri Solid Waste Management District and the Missouri Department of Natural Resources. Recycling bins for paper and glass are now available for residents at Beal Park, Sisson Eek Park, at the University’s Pellet Plant and behind City Hall, according to Jackson. Jackson said he is glad to see this partnership blossom and offer residents a more accessible opportunity to recycle. He hopes to see more progression like this for the city. “In the future I’d like to see (the city) be able to expand,” Jackson said. “But now, this is good.”

NEWS BRIEF

Sheriff’s department issues meth related warrants

By Trey Williams  
News Editor

In February, a total of 30 warrants were distributed in association with methamphetamine possession. On Feb. 16, the Nodaway County Sheriff’s Department issued 26 felony warrants after an investigation conducted by the sheriff’s office. Of the 26 warrants, four were federal arrest warrants and four were federal search warrants. According to the Sheriff’s department, all but one person had Iowa addresses so Iowa officials were asked to assist in the arrests. A total of 25 people were arrested and five are still at large. On Feb. 6, a routine traffic stop led to the arrest of Dion Filley, 42 and Deborah Filley, 46 of Maryville. Dion Filley was stopped in his pick-up truck and had meth, concealed knives and other drug paraphernalia on him. Officers then discovered an active meth lab at their home. Dion and Deborah Filley were charged with manufacturing of a controlled substance, possession of a controlled substance and unlawful use of drug paraphernalia. Dion Filley was then charged with unlawful use of a weapon, while Deborah Filley was charged with endangering the welfare of a child. They both are in jail on a \$50,000 bond.

POLICE REPORTS

NODAWAY COUNTY SHERIFF

Feb. 16 Zachary A. Shehan, 21, Clarinda, Iowa, was arrested on a Nodaway County warrant for drug possession, and any meth precursor drug with intent to manufacture. Billy J. Gray, 46, Hopkins, Mo, was arrested on a Nodaway County warrant for drug possession, and any meth precursor drug with intent to manufacture. Sierra R. Sorenson, 22, Clarinda, Iowa, was arrested on a Nodaway County warrant for drug possession, and any meth precursor drug with intent to manufacture. John Fugle, 57, Clarinda, Iowa, was arrested on a Nodaway County warrant for drug possession, and any meth precursor drug with intent to manufacture. Ryan G. Fewson, 36, Clarinda, Iowa, was arrested on a Nodaway County warrant for drug possession, and any meth precursor drug with intent to manufacture. Jasen L. Bebout, 34, Deedford, Iowa, was arrested on a Nodaway County warrant for drug possession,


and any meth precursor drug with intent to manufacture. Jody Reed, 23, Lennox, Iowa, was arrested on a Nodaway County warrant for drug possession, and any meth precursor drug with intent to manufacture. Michelle Washburn, 22, Braddyville, Iowa, was arrested on a Nodaway County warrant for drug possession, and any meth precursor drug with intent to manufacture. Deborah L. James, 41, Clarinda, Iowa, was arrested on a Nodaway County warrant for drug possession, and any meth precursor drug with intent to manufacture. Heather Nicholas, 33, Coin, Iowa, was arrested on a Nodaway County warrant for drug possession, and any meth precursor drug with intent to manufacture. Kenneth E. Gray, 25, Coin, Iowa, was arrested on a Nodaway County warrant for drug possession, and any meth precursor drug with intent to manufacture. Brent L. Wagaman, 28, Coin, Iowa was arrested on a Nodaway County warrant for drug possession, and any meth precursor drug with intent to manufacture. Wendy Wood, 39, Clarinda, Iowa, was arrested on a Nodaway County warrant

for drug possession, and any meth precursor drug with intent to manufacture. Timothy Willits, 43, Clarinda, Iowa, was arrested on a Nodaway County warrant for drug possession, and any meth precursor drug with intent to manufacture. Jody L. Sunderman, 40, College Springs, Iowa, was arrested on a Nodaway County warrant for drug possession, and any meth precursor drug with intent to manufacture. Cindy J. Gray, 31, New Market, Iowa, was arrested on a Nodaway County warrant for drug possession, and any meth precursor drug with intent to manufacture. Feb. 24 Paige D. Kroenke, 18, Maryville, Mo, was charged with driving while under the influence, minor in possession, and equipment violation on the 500 block West 7th Street. Feb. 23 A fire was reported when a smoke alarm went off on the 32000 block 245th Street. Feb. 22 There is an ongoing investigation regarding fraud on the 300 block West Edwards Street.

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OUR VIEW: POST-9/11 G.I. BILL

# Keeping promises

The most recent Post-9/11 G.I. bill expansion, officially ratified by President Barack Obama Jan. 4, opens up federal funding to a wider range of some of our nation's most capable students: military veterans.

The latest expansion of the bill, officially titled Post-9/11 Veterans Educational Assistance Improvements Act, will provide up to \$17,500 per year to eligible full-time veteran students wanting to attend a private university, and will fully fund all tuition expenses at a public university. The recent update expands the benefits to Army Reserve and National Guard veterans who have been employed. The bill follows up with promises made to these former soldiers – promises of education options and support after they serve their term.

However, full public tuition coverage or up to \$17,500 per veteran

per year at a private institution is an awful lot of money, and it does not even include the extra \$1,000 for book purchases. The funding is not merit-based or need-based; veterans from all backgrounds and ranking at all ACT levels are eligible for the stipend.

Consider an America which instituted a draft and soldiers were enlisted unwillingly. The \$17,500 or equivalent benefits would be a way of saying, "Thanks," even if the mass amounts of veteran applicants would cripple the system.

Our military veterans ought to be highly respected and thanked for their service to our country. However, this G.I. bill expansion is very costly way to do it. At a time when the federal government is taking drastic measures to condense the federal deficit, this seems like a giant step backwards.



ANISSA EVANS | MISSOURIAN PHOTOGRAPHER  
ALAN SCHULTE (LEFT) and Charley Ramsey prepare an Army Hummer in the back parking lot of Maryville's National Guard Armory. Military personnel, like Schulte and Ramsey, are eligible for financial benefits from the Post-9/11 G.I. Bill.

# Importance of a quality education

In everyday life one is faced with various choices: What to wear, food to eat, what activities of daily living to engage in and so on. One of the most important life decisions is choice of school to attend. With thousands of schools scattered all over the nation, a lot of effort goes into making that decision. However, when one decides to enroll in a particular university, the rigorous life of the college student is always one of toil and hard work.

The aim of every college student is to acquire a "quality" education, hopefully in a specific or diverse field as the case may be.

Though the concept of quality may be difficult to evaluate, education affords students the opportunity to develop their fullest potential with regard to cognitive, creative and emotional capacities. Learning is an active process.

Quality education depends on two factors. The first is the students' due diligence, intellectual ability and capability, initiative and passion to learn. The other is the service educational institutions provide. Since instruction is essential to learning, the will and desire to assimilate information and gain knowledge, to a large extent, depends on the students' desire to accept and practice what has been taught, as well as ask critical questions to clarify facts.

In addition, education of higher quality will enable students to fulfill their economic,

social and cultural objectives, while helping society to be better served, better protected by their leaders in more equitable and important ways. The contribution to their knowledge base through higher learning cannot be over-emphasized. Education enables students to mature creatively and emotionally and to acquire knowledge and skills, values and attitudes responsible for active and productive citizenship.

The extent to which educational institutions utilize innovation in learning like modern day technology will determine the quality of education students acquire at such institutions. Using cutting edge technology and gold standards to teach basic science, biomedical science, humanities and other fields of study will improve the learning outcome of students a great deal. It is the responsibility of institutions to seek and incorporate new methods of instructional delivery in their services. Cognitive development is a very important objective of all educational systems. The extent to which universities actually achieve this is one indicator of their quality.

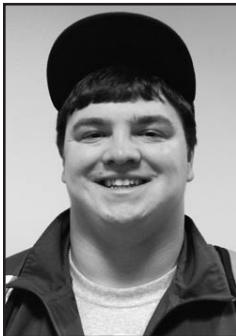
To have a well-rounded educational experience, students should incorporate these various ways of learning: "Learning to know" entails students build their individual knowledge base daily, using inherent and external factors; "learning to do" involves the practical application of knowledge; "learning to live together" acknowledges students have equal opportunities to develop themselves and "learning to be" depicts the acquired knowledge which enables students to develop their fullest potential.



Godwin Mordi  
Contributing Columnist

## CAMPUS TALK

### How can we reward our post-9/11 military veterans?



"I don't feel as if anything worldly is good enough. Just showing them love and sharing the good news of Jesus with them is golden. They do such a great duty by serving our country."

**Benny Pritchett**  
Physical Education



"War veterans should be thanked everyday that they serve. It doesn't matter whether they are post-9/11 or not. Veterans dedicate their lives for their country."

**Traci Baggs**  
Marine Biology



"They put their lives on the line to defend our country. So I feel like a reward isn't a big enough act of appreciation for doing what we are all scared to do."

**Justin May**  
Vocal Music Performance



"I don't think there is a way to reward them because nothing would seem good enough."

**Aly Duncan**  
Social Science



"Offer welcome back parties for them in the community. Also, offer free or discounted health care and counseling."

**Matt Kuffel**  
Pre-Physical Therapy

# Instead of tightening, Northwest loosens belt

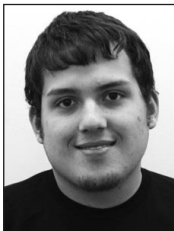
Students across the country are digging between their couch cushions to find a way to afford a college degree. Currently, Missouri is having its own budget problems. Since Northwest receives a great deal of funding from the state, they too will face the brute force of the declining economy.

What does this mean for you and me? An almost certain increase in tuition. When faced with a budget dilemma, most entities find a way to cut services to save money. The more money you are able to trim, the less you have to pass on to the consumer. In this case, it is the Northwest student body.

One would think Northwest would take appropriate measures to brace for and lessen the impact of the cer-

tain increase in cost. To their credit, Northwest, under the leadership of President John Jasinski, has taken steps to help make it a more efficient organization. However, expanding programs in a time of economic uncertainty is preposterous.

If you flip over the back of your Bearcat Card, you would see a couple different things. In the center right of your card you will see the logo for Northwest's Safe Ride program. Prior to next semester, its funding has come from Student Govern-



Andrew Abbott  
Contributing Columnist

ment and the Residence Hall Association. It provides a safe ride for people in town who are not capable of safely shuttling themselves.

However, at a recent Student Senate meeting, our delegates voted to majorly expand the program. This semester, students had no direct fee that supports Safe Ride. That has changed. Starting next semester, every student will be charged 75 cents per credit hour to fund the new and improved program.

To their support, the program is expanding its general shuttling services, such as shuttling students to Wal-Mart. The point still remains: in times of raising tuition and economic uncertainty, shouldn't Northwest be focused on saving students

money? To put it in perspective, a Northwest student taking 15 credit hours will now be charged an additional \$11.25 per semester to support the expanded program. The technology fee is also increasing \$2 per credit hour. With all of these increases, the same 15-hour student will pay more than \$80 more each year. This does not take into consideration the tuition hike that is ultimately on its way.

Instead of passing on additional costs to the students, the University should try and function as frugally as possible. This small 75-cent fee will rake in over \$135,000 per year. Instead of proposing the purchase of new Astro vans, the University has raised enough money to purchase a party bus. Let's not give them any ideas though.

## WHAT THE DEUCE: 2012 ELECTION UPDATE

# Still no campaign verification from Ron

Despite headline-making publicity twice in February, Texas Representative Ron Paul has still remained elusive about a presidential campaign for the 2012 elections.

Paul was a chosen favorite during the three-day Conservative Political Action Committee Feb. 10-12 in Washington, D.C. An informal straw poll vote favored the Independent over big-name Republicans; Paul won 30 percent of the combined live and Internet votes compared with 23 percent for former Mass. Governor Mitt Romney and only 3 percent for former Ala. Governor Sarah Palin.

He then shocked the political scene by raising \$730,000 Feb. 21, Presidents' Day, through an online "money bomb." The minimum recommended donation was \$20.12, a tribute to the election that could feature Paul as the Republican candidate.

The 75-year-old has been evasive about whether or not he will put in his bid. In Dec. 2010, he said the odds were 50/50.

The Tea Party has been reluctant to claim Paul, the self-proclaimed "Champion of the



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RON PAUL WORKS behind his now-famous bumper sticker on his desk in the House of Representatives. Paul was a presence in the 2008 presidential race, but is hesitant to announce plans for a 2012 campaign.

Constitution," largely because it would hurt their on-eggshells relationship with the Republican Party. Paul has made it clear that the Republican Party has strayed from its roots and needs new direction, a sizable de-

crease in spending and a withdrawal from all foreign conflict.

Still, he remains wildly popular with the Internet-savvy Generation Y. His personal-liberty policies and revolutionary fiscal ideas, including auditing

the federal government and eliminating the IRS, could generate enough public appeal to make him a competitive Independent or Libertarian candidate in 2012, if Republicans find him too hardcore.

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“Virtually all aspects of radio operations could be impacted when you start talking about taking that kind of money away.”  
-Rodney Harris



# NPR faces cuts

## Proposal to cut funding moves forward to Senate

By Ashley Herring  
Missourian Reporter

Approximately 170 million Americans tune in to one of the 368 public TV stations or 934 public radio stations every month nationwide according to 170millionamericans.org. That is over half of all Americans. The average annual cost for this service is approximately \$1.35 per American, according to 170millionamericans.org. Yet, the funding through

which they operate is being threatened by Congress. On Feb. 19 the House of Representatives approved House Resolution 1, a proposal eliminating federal funding for public broadcasting by a 235-189 vote according to the Public Media Association. The proposal was part of a larger bill suggesting cuts totaling over \$60 billion in federal funding for several public programs, according to savethenews.org. This week, the Senate will begin negotiations on the bill. If the Senate passes the proposal it will go to the President for the final veto or approval vote.

If the proposal is approved by the Senate and the President, all public broadcasting outlets will be significantly impacted including KXCV-KRNW, Northwest's public broadcasting stations. KXCV-KRNW, like all public broadcasting networks, operates as a non-commercial program, relying on revenue from member donations/memberships, underwriting, grants, federal funding and University support. Having undergone budget reductions over the past two years due to state and University cutbacks, KXCV-KRNW's overall budget now depends on close to 20 per-

cent coming from federal funding, up from the previous 10 to 12 percent. A loss of this funding could impact the paid student positions and paid programming that KXCV-KRNW offers, according to Rodney Harris, general manager and director of broadcast services for KXCV-KRNW. "Losing federal funding) could be devastating to KXCV-KRNW," Harris said. "We have either fully or partially funded three professional staff member jobs that come from that funding and some of our program costs are paid

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KEVIN BIRDSELL | CHIEF VISUAL JOURNALIST  
(TOP) JAKE TURNER LETS the listeners in on the upcoming weather forecast. KXCV, the campus NPR station, will be affected by the \$60 billion in budget cuts. (RIGHT) JEREMY WERNER WORKS in the NPR station of KXCV. Northwest offers 72 paid student staff positions that could be affected by the national budget cuts.

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# VETERANS

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paid for by an updated GI Bill called the Montgomery Bill. The newest bill, effective Aug. 1, expands benefit coverage to all branches of the armed forces, including Army Reserve and National Guard.

Known as the new Post-9/11 GI Bill, it simplifies the tuition and fee rates for veterans and active duty members. Qualified students can now receive housing allowances even if they take classes online, and will receive reimbursements for admission exams like the SAT and ACT.

When the Post-9/11 GI Bill was first updated in August 2009, Northwest re-

corded an increase of 28 military veteran students, up to 103. This spring, the number reached 122.

Marge Stone, loan coordinator and veteran affairs representative for Financial Aid, expects the next update to result in even more applicants. Since Stone began working for Northwest in 1980, she has seen veteran benefits grow from as low as \$250 per month. Now, Northwest veteran students have their tuition fully compensated.

"I think it's been a long time coming," Stoner said. "They finally are getting some of the benefits that they've deserved for years. It's amazing how far it's come in the time that I've been here."

However, students like Herron may feel out of place in a classroom of 18-year-

olds after seeing combat and living halfway across the world.

Jackie Elliott, vice president of Student Affairs, recently attended a seminar at Park University on assimilating veteran students. She found that these students can require extra programs such as counseling services and support groups to aid in the transition from soldier to student. Elliott also acknowledged the difficulty of new programs in the face of state budget cuts.

"I think just because you can't add programs doesn't mean you can't be cognizant of the needs of returning vets and how we can serve them," Elliott said.

In the meantime, veteran students have access to national 24-hour support lines, agencies for counseling

and career placement help. Northwest had the Northwest Student Veteran's Association, but it was disbanded after their faculty sponsor, Mark Corson, left for service in Iraq.

Herron realizes the challenges of his life choices, but says the maturity, life lessons and awareness are worth it. He thanks God for his new purpose in life, and believes people will continue to struggle with how to deal with other veterans who return home.

"I kind of was forced out of high school a lot faster than most students would be," Herron said. "But it made me mature earlier, and I'm still maturing - we all mature through life in different aspects. It's definitely helped me realize what's important in life."

# SCHOOLS

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west program was constructed not only to help students prepare for college, but to help Northwest with recruitment of potential students, according to Messner.

"It's hard to imagine as a high school student what college life is like," Messner said.

"When you can bring them to campus, everything changes."

Messner enjoys the idea of the students using Northwest to better their educational experience.

"It is actually helping them support their academic studies and the curriculum they're pursuing," Messner said.

Luanne Haggard, IB coordinator at Central, wants to prepare her students the best she possibly can using this

program.

"Our goals are to encourage more students to participate in the program," Haggard said. "We want to help prepare them for skills and knowledge they will need after high school."

Haggard is impressed with the reception to the visits at Northwest thus far in the partnership. She is impressed with how tremendously helpful the B. D. Owens Library and librarians have been to

Central students.

"Talking to professors is giving them access to go beyond high school," Haggard said. "That's been a really helpful aspect."

According to Messner, the goal currently set by the IB program is to get over 200 students involved as soon as possible, providing an opportunity for more students to reach Northwest's campus and possibly become a future Bearcat.

# JENKS

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mer filming the facility, following the residents and forming the foundation of his career.

"I had tried so many places before someone said 'yes.' Moral of the story is, don't take no as an answer for any of your goals in life," Jenks said.

At the time, Jenks was a

sophomore and was ambitious to make another great documentary, eventually landing a chance to follow baseball's famous Bobby Valentine for a segment that ran on ESPN.

"Bobby told us one thing when we were over there that I will never forget, 'you have to be able to adapt.' That's the only way you will understand people is to be able to adapt to their culture," Jenks said.

Jenks continued to in-

spire the audience with stories of his first time meeting with MTV executives, his stories from his first season and what he plans to do in the future. The challenges he went through made the audience comfortable asking him questions about his life and the show, while his stories made him relatable to college students.

Jenks has made a name for himself by doing what he loves and going for it, encouraging anyone who

is passionate about their dreams to go above and beyond.

"I always say, if I'm into something, then why can't it work? I will not take no for an answer," Jenks said.

Whichever way Andrew Jenks approached his speech, his raw personality gave students the ability to connect with his story and watch his show. Jenks proved that you can follow your dreams no matter your status or situation.

# MOODY

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1999.

"I had a supernatural, spiritual experience that changed me and prompted me to (write the book)," Moody said.

Moody says the feasts she describes in her book are for anyone who takes God's word seriously.

Moody also teaches about biblical festivals on God's Learning Channel, a television station that reaches over 100 countries.

Moody was once a minister at Trinity Church in Lubbock, Texas but is not an active member of a church today. She believes people should follow the words of the Bible more than the doctrines of churches.

"We cannot believe any church over the word of God," Moody said.

Moody got her degree in journalism from Northwest 36 years ago. Before she started in ministry, she was a military journalist.

Moody currently lives in Lubbock, Mo. with her husband, David.

# NPR

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for from this funding."

If the federal funding that has become increasingly important to KXCV-KRNW were reduced or eliminated, the stations would need to make adjustments.

"If we lost that funding, there would be the possibility that we would have to scale back on that programming," he said.

KXCV-KRNW's ability to continue providing local and regional news for 32 counties could be impacted by the loss of federal funding along with other services that they offer, according to Harris.

"We also offer 72 paid student staff positions. They could be impacted. Virtually all aspects of radio operations could be impacted when you start talking about taking that kind of money away," Harris said.

Despite the negative

talk of cutbacks and funding eliminations that are circling news outlets around the country, KXCV-KRNW is doing everything it can to alleviate the stress that this proposal has caused.

"We are actively involved in the 170 Million Americans campaign to try to have our voice heard on how important public broadcasting is," Harris said. "Public broadcasting provides the only non-commercial, alternative, cultural and educational programming."

KXCV has taken a role in this campaign by producing an on-air campaign, communicating with its alumni and members and sending out letters and e-mails to those parties requesting that they become advocates by sending letters to their senators and joining the online campaign. According to Harris, the campaign currently has 268,000 advocates across the country and over 250,000 e-mails have been sent to Congress in protest of this funding elimination.

# THE FINAL WORD

## MIAA

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is in there. We keep her in the paint and it's tough to score inside there. That's why it was easy to nominate (her)."

Steinmeyer had a couple of tough choices to make going into the voting this weekend. He could only nominate one player for each major award. He decided on Roehrig for defensive player of the year and Curtis for most valuable player.

"I sat down with a lot of people before I nominated," Steinmeyer said. "I nominated four kids for all-conference, that was easy. I had to pick the one I was leaning towards for MVP and I had to pick the one I was leaning towards for defensive player of the year, and I appreciate the coaches voting them that way."

Junior guard Abby Henry earned a second-team bid. Senior post Gentry Dietz grabbed a third-team slot.

Steinmeyer received the Coach of the Year Award, after claiming Northwest's first outright women's basketball title.

"It's a situation where you better win coach of the year," Steinmeyer said. "If you got two first-teamers and four (on the) team. I got the talent this year. My uncle was a college coach and he always said, 'Players make the coach, the

coach doesn't make the players. When you pick a coaching job you better make sure you can win.'"

The uncommon accomplishment was met by an even more unique situation in the postseason awards. It is the first time since 1988 the Bearcats place multiple players on the first team all-conference list.

"You don't get this kind of sweep very often from one team," Steinmeyer said. "The kids deserve it."

"The one I feel bad about, and nobody cared, Dietz was first team last year, and third team this year. She just made that sacrifice on purpose so we could win. She was a scorer last year, now she's scoring, she's rebounding, she's playing defense. I think if you were just going to pick by stats, Henry would be as high up as anybody."

Even with all the individual awards, the team remains focused on playing together.

"I think Kyla's line at our first meeting of the year, 'I'm not here to shine, I'm here to make you guys shine.' I think that's been the general attitude of the whole team," Steinmeyer said. "I think everybody plays for everybody else... I think our players are pretty unselfish. They're conscious of the contributions everybody makes. It's a really fun team to coach. It's an easy team to coach."

## NFL

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they are impossible to deal with.

Recently a bright spot emerged as the two sides agreed to meet with a mediator. Nothing of substance came out of it and in a statement, the mediator said both sides are still far apart on key issues. It is encouraging that the owners and the NFLPA are talking, but with no results yet, I'm afraid the 2011 season is in serious

jeopardy.

One thing that could expedite the process is a recent federal judge's ruling. U.S. District Judge David Doty sided with the NFLPA forcing the owners to give back the \$4.5 billion they earn from TV contracts even when there are no games. This should give the owners a new sense of urgency to get a deal done and the players won't be left holding the bag.

I'm crossing my fingers that there is football in 2011, but I'm not holding my breath.

## BOYS

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Maryville's big offensive night.

"That was a lot more (points) than we wanted to give up," Kuwitzky said. "They're a pretty explosive team and I thought we did a fairly decent job on defense. It was just a deal where we had to score more, and we did, thank heavens."

Senior guard Tyler Peve led the offensive onslaught with 28 points. Sophomore guard Jonathan Baker dropped 12 points and senior forwards Andrew Sherry, Dillon Luke and junior guard Tyler Walter added 10 points apiece.

"Balanced scoring, led by a great game by Peve, but I just thought

we moved the ball and executed well," Kuwitzky said. "And I thought they were just really focused."

The 'Hounds, and their newfound offense, take on No. 1 seed Cameron at 6 p.m. tonight in Gower, Mo. after the Dragons pummeled Lathrop 71-27 in their first round match up.

"They're the No. 2 team in the state, so we know what we're up against," Kuwitzky said. "We're just going to do the best we can and hopefully be ready to play again. If we give it our best shot, who knows what could happen? We're going to go in with the idea that we're planning on winning."

In the other semifinal game, Mid-Buchanan takes on East Buchanan. Both teams won their opening round games by at least 30 points.

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A CHILD LOOKS on in Nicaragua as his family is presented with a Chlorine Producing Unit (CPU) battery with solar charging panels and Bibles .

## SWIM develops a way to give back

Ben Lawson  
Chief Reporter

Clean water is taken for granted by most people, even though about 20 percent of the world's population does not have access to it. One missionary group is working to decrease that statistic.

Safe Water International Ministries has developed a cheap and easy water cleaning treatment intended for use in areas where clean water is a scarce resource.

Last Friday, SWIM members Earl Ratcliff and David Spencer came to Northwest to give a presentation on the Chlorine Producing Unit. The system costs only \$150 per unit and can be held in your hand. All CPUs are donated or sold at cost to a community. According to Ratcliff, each unit can clean up to 250 gallons of water.

The CPU runs on a simple process. The unit, powered by a 12-volt battery, makes chlorine using a mixture of salt and water. After the salt and water solution is ran through the system five or six times, the chlorine is produced. Once the appropriate amount of chlorine is mixed with dirty water, it becomes safe to drink.

The system has no moving parts and does not wear out over time. According to Ratcliff, SWIM has not had a product degrade since the group began production in 2004.

Ratcliff said their unit is effective because it relies on people to find salt to clean their water instead of requiring people to purchase chlorine.

"A lot of people know about chlorine, but with limited money, people focus on other things they need to survive," Ratcliff said.

SWIM has units in more than 10 countries and members of SWIM have done presentations for Kenyan and Nicaraguan health officials.

SWIM has created another unit, which provides chlorine for a much larger population. This unit, Snake, is a more complicated and larger system that relies on the same basic principles of the smaller unit. SWIM has installed three Snakes, two in Nicaragua and one in Kenya. One of the Snakes in Nicaragua is used to treat an

entire city's water supply.

The hardest part of the job for SWIM is educating people on clean water practices. Spencer says people may clean their water using the system, but then store it in an unsanitary container or dip their unclean hands in the container. Whenever SWIM brings a unit to a community, the team tries to teach clean water practices.

Ratcliff gets personal fulfillment from each community he helps with the unit.

"It's a very satisfying feeling to help others," Ratcliff said.

Ratcliff produces the units himself in his garage. Each unit has about 20 separate parts and takes about 90 minutes to construct.

Ratcliff and Spencer were brought to present at Northwest by Mike Bellamy, associate professor of chemistry and physics, and Bayo Oludaja, associate professor of communication, theatre and languages. Bellamy and Oludaja are currently writing a training manual for the CPUs, which will be distributed with the units.

Bellamy and Oludaja also have plans to use the units to help provide jobs for orphans in Haiti. Bellamy is the president of the House of Hope and Valley House of Hope orphanages in Haiti. More than 60 kids rely on the orphanages to live.

Haiti has no jobs to offer these orphans so Bellamy and Oludaja have plans to dig a new well and use the CPUs to clean the water. Bellamy hopes the orphans will be able to sell the water, which will provide cheap clean water for people in the community and a source of income for the orphans.

Bellamy started the first orphanage in Haiti five years ago and has made more than 10 trips to the country.

He credits God with giving him the motivation to go to Haiti.

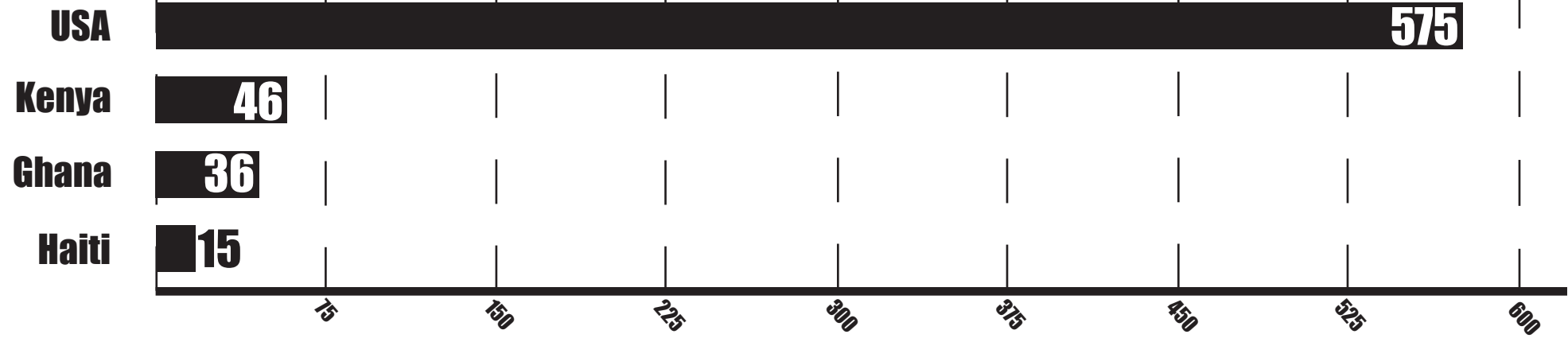
Oludaja finds the motivation from his childhood.

"I grew up an orphan. I always wanted to work with children and when the opportunity came to help orphans in Haiti I took it. It was a tremendous opportunity to get involved," Oludaja said.



Far Left: THE HOUSE OF a community leader in Sudan where SWIM team members trained people on how to use the CPUs. Right: David Spencer showing people in Sudan how to use the CPUs.

### U.S. daily water consumption compared to third world countries (liters)





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Texas Department of Public Safety is advising college students to stay away from Mexico because of the dangers of drug violence.

Bayside releases timeless rock

By Matt Leimkuehler  
Chief Reporter

Bayside, Long Island's finest form of rock and roll angst, has returned to the game with their fifth studio full-length and first record since September 2008. Killing Time, Bayside's Wind-Up Records debut, is the kind of record fans have been anticipating since the lackluster performance on the band's previous release, Shudder. Killing Time contains all of the proper amounts of depression, anguish and clarity to create a concoction worthy of Green Day's American Idiot.

Lead singer and guitarist Anthony Raneri based much of the satirically melodramatic lyrics from the album around his recent divorce with his wife, a marriage without a happy

ending. In "Already Gone," the debut single off the record, Raneri sneers the words "One day you're going to see the life sentence you gave to me, but I swear one day we will share this cell. I know its cold, but I will keep us warm, with all the hate I radiate, we'll be walking hand and hand in Hell."

The musical composition on Killing Time is some of the best ever heard from any of Bayside's releases to date. Over the past decade, the band has perfected a song structure formula untouchable by most in the industry. Tracks such as "Mona Lisa" and "Not a Bad Little War" are unlike any the band has ever released before, with beautiful harmonies and shredding guitars that can make both the choir boy and the guitar junkie fantasize. With the musical pro-

gression and expansion, Bayside also sticks to its roots with tracks such as "Sick, Sick, Sick" and "Seeing Sound". Teaming with producer Gil Norton (Foo Fighters, Jimmy Eat World) along with the freedom of a new label, Bayside took the opportunity to expand their musical progress beyond their listeners' wildest imaginations.

Overall, Killing Time has the potential to be a timeless record that stands out in a sea of musical conformity and monotony. Bayside gives the true music lover a breath of fresh air and shines as if it were light at the end of a long, dark tunnel of awful records in this decade. Killing Time is a record that should not be swept under the rug by any listener and will be in serious contention for album of the year.



Release Date: Feb. 22, 2011

Genre: Alternative/Indie

Record Label: Wind-Up Records

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THE STROLLER

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This last one gets more and more difficult here at Northwest. Not only is this place cheaper than an Asian massage, but scholarships are easier to pick up here than a venereal disease at Molly's.

So I want to extend a big thank

you to the Student Senate for passing the student fee increases. It's about time we got back on track to our main focus here: ransacking students of our precious loans.

But I say we're not going far enough. Where are all the other fees? For example, who is paying for all those cats to roam around campus? I don't know how they stay alive, do you? With a bigger budget, we could keep even more cats roaming around campus. With my proposed Cat Fee, I envision sidewalks, classrooms, dorm rooms and bathrooms swarming with our feline friends. Each cat would have a home, and would be welcomed to bathe regularly in Colden Pond.

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- 11 Lawbreaker
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- 13 Titanic signal
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- 25 Bard's instrument
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No. 7 Missouri Western

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No. 1

Northwest

Record: 22-4 MIAA: 18-4  
Key Player: Senior guard Gabby Curtis  
MIAA POY, 1st team All-MIAA, 18.2 ppg, 4.4 rpg  
Key Wins: Southwest Baptist (clincher), No. 9 Washburn, No. 11 Emporia State  
Bad Loss: at Fort Hays State

No. 3

Emporia State

Record: 18-8 MIAA: 15-7  
Key Player: Senior center Alli Volkens  
1st team All-MIAA, All-Defensive team  
17.5 ppg, 12.3 rpg  
Key Wins: Northwest, No. 15 Washburn  
Bad Loss: Southwest Baptist

No. 6

Central Missouri

Record: 16-12 MIAA: 12-10  
Key Player: Senior guard Kara Fleming  
2nd team All-MIAA, 12.3 ppg, 5.7 apg  
Key Win: Pitt State  
Bad Losses: at Fort Hays, Truman State, Pittsburg State

No. 2

Washburn

Record: 21-5 MIAA: 17-5  
Key Player: Junior guard Stevi Schultz  
1st team All-MIAA, 15.5 ppg, 7.8 rpg  
Key Wins: Northwest, No. 10 Emporia State  
Bad Losses: at Nebraska-Omaha, at Fort Hays

No. 4


Missouri Southern

Record: 17-9 MIAA: 15-7  
Key Player: Senior forward Jasmine Lovejoy  
1st team All-MIAA, All-Defensive team, 17.6 ppg, 7.6 rpg  
Key Win: No. 20 Northwest, No. 6 Emporia State  
Bad Loss: at Truman

No. 7

Missouri Western

Record: 14-12 MIAA: 11-11  
Key Player: Junior forward Jessica Koch  
2nd team All-MIAA, 16.1 ppg, 5.9 rpg  
Key Wins: No. 4 Washburn, No. 14 Emporia State, Pitt State  
Bad Losses: at Fort Hays, at Southwest Baptist



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No. 5

Pittsburg State

Record: 15-11 MIAA: 13-9  
Key Player: Senior forward Kylee Baldetti  
3rd team All-MIAA, 8.4 ppg, 7.8 rpg  
Key Wins: No. 6 Emporia State (x2), Missouri Southern  
Bad Loss: at Nebraska-Omaha, Truman State

No. 8

Truman State

Record: 12-14 MIAA: 10-12  
Key Player: Junior guard Breanna Daniels  
3rd team All-MIAA, 13.2 ppg, 4.8 rpg  
Key Wins: Pitt State, Missouri Southern  
Bad Loss: at Nebraska-Omaha, Central Missouri



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SENIOR GUARD TYLER Peve bounces a pass to a fellow 'Hounds teammate in a game against Savannah Friday Feb. 18.

## Offense shines in big district victory

By Jason Lawrence  
Asst. Sports Editor

The first round of districts saw Maryville break out of the offensive funk that has marred them for the last month. The Spoofhounds exploded for 78 points and five players scored in double figures in the 78-60 win over South Harrison.

Maryville scored 17 points in the first quarter and 26 points in the second quarter to mount a 43-32 lead at the break. "We hit some shots and had some drives," head coach Mike Kuwitzky said. "I just think all

of the work we've been doing has been paying off. We've been practicing our offense a lot lately and I think kids are grasping it and it's paying off finally." The 'Hounds scored 35 second-half points to put the Bulldogs away. "These kids really wanted this game and they decided they weren't going to have a letdown," Kuwitzky said. "I could just see it in their eyes at halftime that they weren't done yet." South Harrison still managed 28 points in the second half, but it was not enough to over come

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## Gadbois, girls flex No. 1 seeding

By Tony Botts  
Sports Editor

The Lady Spoofhounds proved their No. 1 district seeding to the East Buchanan Bulldogs Monday night as both teams opened up district play. Maryville cruised to a 54-36 win to secure their spot in the second round of Class 3 District 16 play. The Bulldogs trailed the 'Hounds at the end of all four quarters, including a 12-point deficit by halftime.

"Offensively, we executed really well in the first quarter, then we kind of stalled in the second," head coach Grant Hageman said. "But overall it was a good first round game, just getting used to things and we were a little nervous. It was good to get that one out of the way." Senior post Taylor Gadbois led all scorers with 16 points, while senior guard Shannon McClellan chipped in 11 points.

Bulldogs' senior guard Hannah O'Donnell led her team in scoring with 15 points and sophomore Chelsea Dewey contributed 12 points. Gadbois and the 'Hounds opened up a 17-8 lead with two minutes left on the clock in the first quarter. That lead was eventually extended to 32-20 by halftime. The Bulldogs climbed back into the game with a 10-6 run in the third quarter, closing the lead to within eight points. The 'Hounds' stingy defense held the Bulldogs to six points in the final quarter,



TONY BOTTS | SPORTS EDITOR  
SENIOR GUARD MOLLY Stiens slips past an East Buchanan defender in the opening round of the Class 3 District 16 Tournament Monday night. Stiens and the Spoofhounds went on to win 54-36.

allowing the Maryville offense to collect 16 points and close out the game. "I thought the defensive effort was good," Hageman said. "I thought we defended pretty good in the first half. They still shot the ball well... they had their best players making plays."

The 'Hounds took on No. 4 South Harrison in the

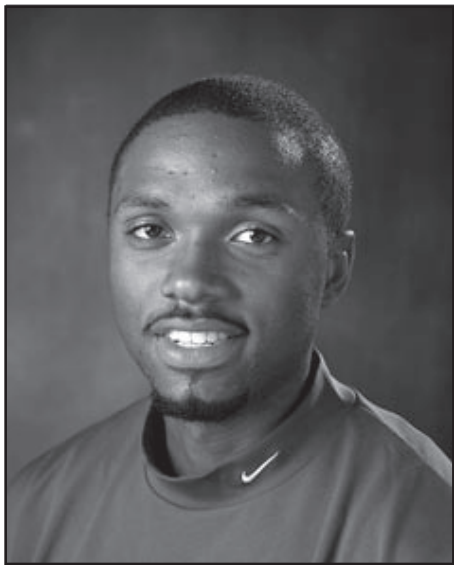
second round Wednesday night. Results were unavailable as of press time. However, Hageman was aware of the challenge heading into the quarterfinal match-up. "They're really good at what they do, they execute what they do very well," Hageman said. "We're going to have to come out and

I think we have to get off to a good start. If we get off to a good start I think we'll have a lot of energy and be able to put some pressure on them." The winner of Wednesday's Maryville-South Harrison game will face the winner of the No. 2 Bishop LeBlond-No. 3 Lathrop game at 7 p.m. Friday at East Buchanan High School in Gower, Mo.

# ATHLETES OF THE WEEK

## BEARCATS

### Elijah Allen



Senior forward Elijah Allen closed out his career with a 21-point outing in Northwest's season-ending 83-64 loss to Missouri Southern on Saturday.

### Gabby Curtis



Senior guard Gabby Curtis earned MIAA-MVP honors after leading the conference in scoring. The senior averaged 18.1 points per game.

### Tyler Peve



Senior guard Tyler Peve dropped 28 points, including a pair of 3s in Maryville's 78-60 first round district win over South Harrison Tuesday night.

### Taylor Gadbois



Senior post Taylor Gadbois scored a game-high 16 points in Maryville's 54-36 victory over East Buchanan in the first round of districts on Monday night.

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Weekend produces mixed results

By Tony Botts  
Sports Editor

The Northwest softball team got the offensive start they wanted to kick off the Missouri Southern Tournament.

However, the end of the weekend digressed from the first day of play.

“First day went well,” head coach Ryan Anderson said. “Second day we played decent teams but we helped beat ourselves. We didn’t have a lot of good at-bats.”

The Bearcats led off the tournament with an offensive explosion, thumping Drury (Springfield, Mo.) 13-3.

“We had the top of the lineup start it for us,” Anderson said. “Then everybody started to see that we could hit and everybody wanted to hit then.”

Sophomore second baseman Hailee Hendricks paced the offensive attack, going 3-5 at the plate with six RBIs and two runs scored.

Sophomore pitcher Jenna Creger got the nod on the

mound and pitched all seven innings, collecting eight strikeouts and the win.

The ‘Cats claimed the second game of the night, 6-0, over Cameron (Lewton, Okla.).

Sophomore Morgan Brunmeier tossed a seven-inning shutout and allowed just two hits.

The second day of the tournament saw different results for the ‘Cats, dropping consecutive games to Quincy (Quincy, Ill.) and Southeast Oklahoma State (Durant, Okla.), 5-0 and 13-3.

“We saw a pitcher the third game...she just kept throwing pitches out of the zone and we kept chasing them,” Anderson said. “We couldn’t lay off of them. She never had to bring the ball back to the strike zone and we made ourselves look bad.”

The ‘Cats head south again this weekend for the Teri Mathis Zenner Softball Tournament. The first of four games starts at 11 a.m. Saturday morning in Joplin, Mo.

Box scores

	R	H	E
Northwest	13	13	0
Drury	3	6	3

Hendricks, H.: 3-5, 2B, 2 runs, 6 RBI

	R	H	E
Northwest	6	8	0
Cameron	0	2	1

Brunmeier, M. (2-0): W, 7.0 IP, 6 K, 2 BB

	R	H	E
Northwest	0	2	1
Quincy	5	9	1

Creger, J. (2-2): L, 4.1 IP, 7 H, 4 ER, 4 K

	R	H	E
Northwest	3	7	0
SE Okla.	13	24	2

Hessel, K.: 1-3, 2B, 3 RBI

Quick hits



Hailee Hendricks  
Second Baseman



Morgan Brunmeier  
Pitcher



Jenna Creger  
Pitcher



KEVIN BIRDSELL | CHIEF VISUAL JOURNALIST

SENIOR FORWARD ELIJAH Allen attempts a shot Feb. 23 in Bearcat Arena. The ‘Cats’ finished the season with a 10-16 record after the 83-54 loss to Missouri Southern Saturday.

McCollum, team ready for next year

By Jason Lawrence  
Asst. Sports Editor

For the third straight year, Missouri Southern ended the Northwest men’s basketball team’s season.

The Bearcats finish the season 10-16 overall, 8-14 in MIAA play.

Southern pulled away in the second half, hitting 15 of 23 shots in the period and all 13 free throws to end the ‘Cats’ season with a 83-64 loss. The 19-point deficit was the largest margin of defeat of the season for the Bearcats.

“It wasn’t as bad as the score indicated,” head coach Ben McCollum said. “We competed pretty hard and just kind of let it get away down the stretch. They’re extremely talented.

“To be honest, it was a lot like the Central game where we missed a lot of shots that we normally make. That’s part of only playing so many guys so many minutes. That probably caught up with us.”

Senior forward Elijah Allen scored a team-high 21 points, finishing his career with 1,289 points. He fell seven rebounds shy of 500 for his career.

Senior forward Arunas Siminavicius closed out his career with a 12-point, six-rebound effort.

“They’ve really helped cement a good foundation for us and our program into the future with what kind of kids we need,” McCollum said. “Both very positive, both very loyal. Just great, high character kids.”

Junior guard Kyle Haake chipped in 14 points and sophomore point guard DeShaun Cooper added 10 points in the loss.

Cooper, Allen and Siminavicius all received postseason honors as voted on by the league’s coaches.

Cooper was named second-team All-MIAA while Allen garnered third-team honors. Siminavicius was named to the league’s all-defensive squad.

“They deserve it, all three of them,” McCollum said. “Arunas, I think is the best defender in our conference. DeShaun and Elijah have brought a lot of punch offensively and those three are a big reason for our turnaround.”

Cooper, however, would trade the accolade for a shot in the MIAA Tournament.

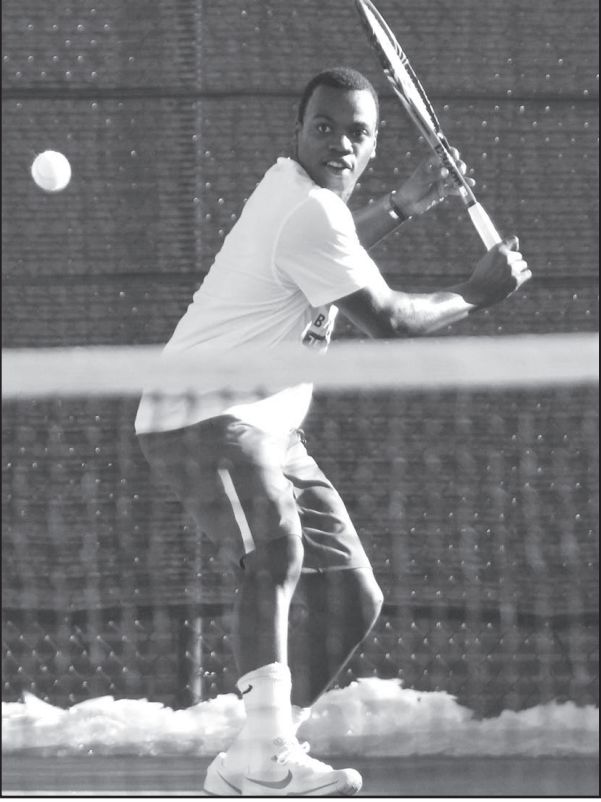
“I guess it feels good,” Cooper said. “But awards are just awards. I’d rather us be playing in the conference tournament and me get honorable mention or nothing at all.

“But with the award coming in, I felt that I worked hard over the summer and deserved it.”

The 6-3 record down the stretch gives the Bearcats confidence going into next year that this is just a stepping stone to bigger things.

“Now we know what it takes,” Cooper said. “We’ve got all of our pieces together, so we don’t have to search and find out anything. We know what it takes, so we can come into next season ready to go.”

MEN’S TENNIS



JASON LAWRENCE | ASST. SPORTS EDITOR

SENIOR MALCOLM HARRISON returns a serve in his No. 1 singles match against Missouri Valley College on Tuesday. Harrison, the No. 29 player in the nation, won 6-0, 6-2 over Jason Rolle.

All-MIAA for 6, Shaw to nationals

By Orlando Carrizales  
Missourian Reporter

Most of the Northwest track athletes wrapped up their indoor seasons at the MIAA Meet last weekend.

Six athletes earned All-Conference honors on Saturday, but for two-time All-American junior Tyler Shaw, the season was extended.

Eight events made the national list of notable performances, but Shaw was the only athlete to qualify for the NCAA Indoor National Championship. He qualified in both the 60-meter hurdles and 200m dash after receiving All-Conference honors in both events at the conference meet, placing second in the 60m hurdles, with a time of 8.09 seconds, and third in the 200m dash, running 22.01s.

“The things that Tyler has developed this year, which he hasn’t done in the past, he has truly become a more focused competitor,” head track coach Scott Lorek said. “That has been helping him this whole season and I think it will continue to help his development.”

Shaw is no stranger to the national’s scene, but he has never qualified for national meet in the 200m dash. The junior hurdler placed sixth last season in the 60m hurdles and was the runner-up the year before.

Sophomore distance runner Katti Carroll also received All-Conference honors this past weekend. Carroll finished third in the 5,000-meter run with a time of 17:57 and then came back to place second, with a time of 10:16, in the 3,000-meter run.

Senior thrower Kate Walter and junior heptathlete Zane Myers both fell short of qualifying for nationals. Walter placed second in women’s weight throw, throwing 55-foot 11.25-inches. Myers finished sixth in the men’s heptathlon and broke his current school record with 4,838 points.

“That’s just the way it goes being that competitive,” Lorek said. “Zane competed great. He had a lot of great events. With him we’re not disappointed at anything at all. We’re excited, we’re encouraged and we hope he gets that decathlon outdoors.”

A tangle up hurt the women’s distance medley squad. The ‘Cats were in fourth place on the backstretch when sophomore Brittany Pool went to pass the third place runner and got tangled up with two lapped competitors. All three runners were on the ground while Fort Hays State went ahead to finish third.

The team finished the season seventh in the region while the women rounded out the Top 10.

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SENIOR POST GENTRY Dietz leaps over a Southwest Baptist defender Feb. 23. The 'Cats open MIAA Tournament play at noon Friday against Truman State.

## Women head to KC as No. 1 seed

By Bryce Mereness  
Chief Sports Reporter

When Northwest opens play against Truman State at Municipal Auditorium in Kansas City at noon Friday, it will be the start of a new season.

The team is approaching the tournament like they have a 0-0 record according to head coach Gene Steinmeyer. With the potential for three games in 52 hours, things can get tricky.

"Whoever wins it is going to go through it, that's for sure," Steinmeyer said. "There's going to be some surprises – Central was in the championship game last year – I just hope it's not us that's the surprise... We're going to have to get physical in the first two games and if we're lucky enough to get a third game then all of a sudden we're going to have to put on our track shoes."

The Bearcats return to the MIAA Tournament with much of the same squad from last season. The 'Cats did not graduate any seniors off of last year's squad.

"It's definitely exciting to go back, especially going back as the No. 1 seed," junior guard Abby Henry said. "We have big expectations for ourselves. We just gotta take it one game at a time, and just look at Truman and hopefully if we win that game we can take it from there."

The winner of Friday's game will face the winner of the Pittsburg State and Missouri Southern game at noon Saturday, with the winner advancing to the championship at 4 p.m. Sunday.

Municipal Auditorium has hosted the MIAA Tournament since 2003. It has also hosted nine NCAA Division

I Final Fours and the NAIA National Championship from 1937-75 and 2002-present. The Kansas City Kings played there from 1972-74.

"The event in Kansas City is the most first class event we'll go to," Steinmeyer said. "Nothing compares to it. We're in the most historic basketball building in the nation, we're in the convention center in Kansas City, all focus is on the MIAA. It's first class."

The team now refocuses their efforts on tournament play after becoming the first women's basketball team in school history to claim an outright MIAA title.

"What was more important was history," Steinmeyer said. "That was the most important thing I think to our players: the fact that nobody had ever done it. Being the first to do something. Ten years from now this team is going to be in the hall of fame. It better be anyway – the first team to ever win an outright championship. I think the history meant the most, now I think its just we're back to one game at a time. Whether we're in the MIAA or the NCAA, I think it's just win this one go to the next, win it go to the next."

After earning regular season MVP honors in the MIAA, and MVP honors for the Winstead-Reeves Classic, senior Gabby Curtis has another MVP in her sights: the MIAA Tournament MVP.

"That's the next goal," Curtis said. "I'm just going to go in there like I do any other game. Like coach said, we're going to go in there like it's 0-0 and we're going to play our hearts out. We really want the MIAA Tournament championship. We really want to be there Sunday playing."

# Clean Sweep



**Defensive Player of the Year**  
Senior post Kyla Roehrig

## MIAA's top honors come to Northwest

By Bryce Mereness  
Chief Sports Reporter

A lot of effort went into the most successful season in women's basketball history at Northwest.

Those efforts were recognized with spots on the All-MIAA teams.

Senior guard Gabby Curtis took home top honors, after being voted MIAA Most Valuable Player. Curtis led the conference in scoring, with 18.1 points per game, and averaged three assists and four rebounds per game.

"It's a big accomplishment for me," Curtis said. "Starting from where I came from, on a reservation, to most valuable player, it's still surprising and shocking to me. We have a lot of talent on the team. I'm pretty sure it was hard to choose. It's shocking. It's surprising. I'm just grateful and thankful."

Senior post Kyla Roehrig joined Curtis on the first team, earning the conference's defensive player of the year award. Roehrig broke the school record for blocked shots with 70.

"Kyla is such a force defensively in the middle," head coach Gene Steinmeyer said. "People just don't challenge the lane very often when Kyla

**Player of the Year**  
Senior guard Gabby Curtis



**Coach of the Year**  
Head coach Gene Steinmeyer

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### COLUMN

## Fans trapped between owners, players' union

We're now just hours away from a major sports deadline.

At midnight EST tonight the collective bargaining agreement between the NFL owners and the NFL Players Union will expire. After weeks of meetings between the two sides since the Super Bowl, it appears the two are at an impasse.

On the verge of a lockout, we face one of the craziest offseasons. There is no free agency, there are no trades and the draft

will look a little different. Teams will be able to draft the players, but not sign them until there is a new CBA.

I think it's wrong that the most popular sport in America can hold its fans and players hostage.



Bryce Mereness  
Chief Sports Reporter

The NFL should tread carefully when it comes to locking out the players. In 2004 the NHL began its lockout, a lockout that would last the entire season, and its popularity took a major hit, threatening to send it below soccer on American sports hierarchy. It doesn't help that there is no alternative to the NHL as far as TV time. The NFL will be lucky in that respect. Every Saturday there are countless college football games on every major network to

satisfy America's football fix. The games also help draw in new fans with new young players that break into the league each year.

The one thing that scares me the most about the impending lockout is the steps both sides have taken leading up to the deadline. The players union has filed to be decertified, thus making a lockout impossible. The owners have filed a claim against the union, saying

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## GIRLS' BASKETBALL

As the Lady Spoofhounds move forward in district play we keep you updated on every game. Turn inside to see their progress and visit our website for game updates.

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